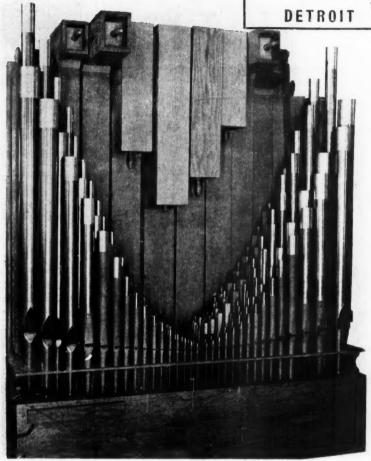
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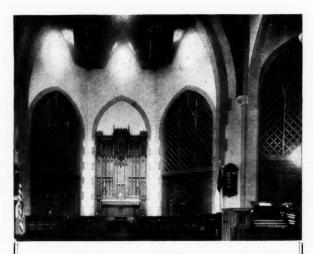
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Organ Music

Theodore Dubois-Six Pieces

38 pages, J. Fischer & Bro. \$1.50, edited by Dr. T. Tertius Noble. Titles: Chant Pastoral, Cortege Funebre, Canon, Noel, In Paradisum, Fiat Lux, all beautifully printed. Dubois' music may sometimes be devoid of inspiration but it was never offensive; on the other hand, how could we find something to make more appealing music than his In Paradisum? Fiat Lux is another of great possibilities, though imposing considerably on a player's taste & imagination; it begins ppp and ends fff. And it can mean much to an audience or congregation. In this score the instantly comprehended terms Great, Swell, Choir, Solo, are displaced in favor of numbers, I, II, III, IV. Numbers mean nothing, names mean something; let's always stick to names. Dr. Noble's suggested registrations are generally on the good side; nor is he very fond of noise for its own sake. So here are two good pieces for recital or church, one for a funeral, one for Christmas, and two other church pieces. In Paradisum is worth the cost of all six.

Oudnederlandsche Meesters-ed. Flor Peeters Vol. 3 of Old Netherlandish Masters, 32 pieces, 117 pages, published by Henry Lemoine, Paris, devoted to Netherland composers from the 15th to the 18th centuries, most of them comparatively or completely unknown, though this doesn't apply to Dufay, Des Pres, Lassus, Sweelinck; none the less it's a volume for the historian and music student; and for novelty value, an occasional piece, if dressed up & properly sweetened with inviting registration, would be welcome on a program played in public. Again we have the defenseless substitution of meaningless figures for names that emphatically mean something to every organist. If we are going to be silly enough to use I, II, and III, for Great, Swell, and Choir, let's go the whole way and use numbers for names too, so that Bach becomes 1729, Buxtehude is 138593382, and Franck is 782034. Stupid? No more so than using numbers for the names of our respective organ divisions. Don't blame this on Mr. Peeters; he is probably the accidental victim of stupidity in publishing. It's a fine volume for libraries, students, conservatories, and historians, for it presents a nation not too well known in the world of composition.

WARNING FROM MARS A book by Edward Whiteside

6x9, 79 pages, board-binding, Inter-Planetary Publications, 120 Liberty St., New York 6, N.Y. "A political satire which is both entertaining and thought-provoking." Some T.A.O. readers think you should know about this. If an organist can only play an organ, but can't think, can't vote, can't have any influence whatever in making the world about him a better world for all the rest of us, he should take no interest in such books. But if he has to depend upon other people to pay him a salary so long as he hopes to live, he's a complete coward not to take a very keen interest and do his small part in thwarting the thieves that now dominate America's economic, political, and labor worlds. This little book would have been infinitely more valuable if it dropped the satire and dealt with specific names, actions, and people.

PABLO CASALS—A BIOGRAPHY
A book by Lillian Littlehales

6x9, 232 pages, clothbound, a few illustrations & thematics, Norton & Co. \$3.75, first published in 1929, revised & enlarged here. The story of one of the great cellists. "In his years of expatriation from Spain he has revealed himself as more than the artist of universal fame; he has become a champion of liberty for his fellow countrymen, a living example to everyone of protest against injustice. His life has been called 'a romance of art, humanity, patriotism, and sacrifice'." From the book: "He called Schoenberg an 'enormous

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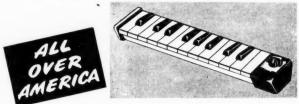
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Reviews by WILLIAM A. GOLDSWORTHY

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Last month we gave a set of different and difficult choral works, difficult both to perform and to hear sympathetically. This month we give works moderately difficult which conform more generally to accepted standards; they are consequently more grateful to the listener. Some striking numbers are here, suitable for both service and con-

Elkan-Vogel present a cantata by Richard Purvis, which, for a younger man, gives promise of great things to come. setting of Buchanan's dramatic poem, The Ballad of Judas Iscariot, is a task for any writer, the text being by turns so strong and so tender. Mr. Purvis has caught the spirit and has expressed it admirably. My only criticism is the one so frequently needed—the high tessituras, these in contrast with his last work in which they were taxingly low. But the cantata has vigor, fine melody line, highly exciting chorus work; it is

not too difficult. 51 pages, priced moderately at \$1.25. Elkan-Vogel also give us a fine setting of "The Wilder-

ness" by H. Alexander Matthews; 19 pages, 25c.

M. Witmark & Sons publish three anthems by Dr. Eric DeLamarter which are among his best. A setting of the "Benedictus es" is made of fine material and is really stirring. The "Gloria" is stunning and surprising, beginning pp, building to a climax, and again fading away; 9 pages, 18c. His "God came the Holy One" is a bit spotty, the quieter movements being particularly grateful while the forte passages are slightly angular. But this is a well-worthwhile anthem; 10 pages, 18c. The one that will give greatest joy to congregations is "Hearken ye that follow righteousness," 5 pages of sheer beauty, with a solo part that will please any bass; it will sound as well in contralto range if you have not a good bass. This is one of the best quiet anthems to appear in a long long time; 6 pages, 16c.

By Witmark also is a 3-part setting for women's voices of "Blessed is the man" by J. Lawrence Erb which we recommend for originality of style and smooth movement of parts. This

writing reveals an active man in a serene mood; 7 pages, 16c. McLaughlin & Reilly give us a new mass by Camil Van Hulse—a poetic voice from the desert, not a voice crying in the wilderness. "Missa Fiat Voluntas Tua" is a comparatively easy work of 16 pages for 3-part mixed voices. Choirs with a scarcity of men will thank us for calling attention to it. Steeped in Catholic tradition and ritual, this Composer is at his best when writing for the church. Here again is the fruit of his knowledge. There are a few men keeping Catholic church music alive; Mr. Van Hulse is in the forefront of this

As a rule I do not care for 8-part choruses, with the tenors and sopranos dividing into two parts each, tenors singing in unison with sopranos, an octave lower. This is generally the treatment in these many-voiced unaccompanied choruses. (I am always reminded of the little man who sings the melody of the hymn an octave lower.) However, Will James gives us a 7-part anthem which avoids some of this effect by a clever alternation of men's and women's voices, uniting the full combination in the large final phrases. "Sing and rejoice"

has vigor; H. T. FitzSimons, 7 pages, 18c; for those who do like this type of chorus, it will be very pleasing.

Broadcast presents an unusual setting of the "Hymn of the Trinity" of St. Ambrose, by H. A. Schimmerling. Polyphonic, strong, full of light, it captures completely the idea of the text, fading to an unexpected but effective ending. Meat for

a good choir, 8 pages, 16c.

Broadcast also gives a setting of "Lift up your heads" by N. Lindsay Norden. Short but brilliant, it is filled with trumpet flashes and antiphonal phrases. The last two pages are powerfully ejaculated chords on the word Selah, with trumpet-like accompaniment. I would that Mr. Norden had

used the word Amen or some other or similar significance, as modern scholarship is almost unanimous in declaring Selah to mean repeat. Nevertheless this is a fine anthem; 7 pages, 15c.

Oxford University Press publishes two numbers by Vaughan Williams that any fairly good choir can sing. "The voice out of the whirlwind" is a strong manly text from Job which Mr. Williams has set in a sturdy straightforward fashion, to music all can understand. It would be used much, except for the obstacle of price-80c for an 18-page anthem.

Mr. Williams has made also an exquisite setting of John selton's poem, "Prayer to the Father of heaven." The study Skelton's poem, "Prayer to the Father of heaven."

of this number is rewarding. 11 pages, 36c.

O. U. P. also gives a new anthem by Martin Shaw, "God's grandeur," written in the best Shaw manner, and interesting. But not interesting enough to pay 50c for a 14-page anthem.

Birchard presents a quite remarkable hymn-anthem by Katherine K. Davis, "Our God is a Rock." Strongly stated by all the men in unison in the beginning, the theme then becomes the basis for treatment, with the melody first in the bass section, then in the soprano, all building up finally to powerful exultant amens. 8 pages, 20c.

Flammer publishes Claude Means' anthem for communion, 'Come dearest Lord,' one of the most fitting we have seen for this service. Mr. Means is a sensitive musician; his confident handling of the Isaac Watts text gives us an anthem appealing

to any denomination. 7 pages, 16c.

And now for H. W. Gray contributions. Dr. T. Tertius Noble, from his eyrie in Rockport, offers a new setting of "By the rivers of Babylon" which, with its graceful flowing phrases, reveals Dr. Noble at his best. 10 pages, 20c. He also takes the text of an old Lenten hymn, "Drop drop slow tears," and sets it as he marks it, "with much expression." Written for 3-part women's voices, it can be used for both church and concert. 7 pages, 16c.

For Episcopalians, this one is a must: Frank Scherer's 'Benedicite in E-flat," a stirring breezy hymn of praise, with Frank Scherer's overlapping of sentences in upper and lower voices, and an especially interesting new "Gloria." 8 pages, 16c. (A member of the congregation dubs this the canticle where all the

animals are called by their first names.)

We close with a setting of the "Communion Service" by H. A. Schimmerling. Short, strong, different; we would use it all, save for the "Kyries" which do not lend a spirit of contrition. Perhaps Mr. Schimmerling is fed up with overmuch groveling, in which case we are with him.

This review is long? So much arresting music has been found that we felt it a duty as well as a privilege to bring it to you. Next month we present a list of new publications,

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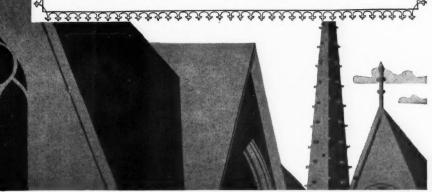
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Some Music Reviews

By Dr. ROLAND DIGGLE

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Richard Donovan-Choralpreludes American Folkhymns Music Press, 12p, \$1.50, modern music at its best, or so it seems to me. Some time ago I spoke of his Paignion as being one of the best in the Contemporary Series; these two fine preludes bear out my contention that this Composer is worth The melodies of these pieces are taken from Folk Hymns of America, published by J. Fischer & Bro.; while not familiar to the average listener, this in no way interferes with enjoyment of the music. First is an andante tranquillo of real beauty; it works up to a forte stringendo passage on p.5 that sends shivers down your spine. Second, which took me longer to absorb, is built on much the same lines, except that it ends ff, the last page being tremendously effective. This is organ music for the discriminating player, with an instrument of some scope to work with. I have heard them played twice, once beautifully and once so awful that, so help me, I took five vodka martinis to make me forget. I hope these lovely pieces are not given the kiss of death by being chosen for the Guild examinations. It was quite all right with me that the recent prize number was so chosen; in fact, it is only fair that the candidates for the examinations have to suffer in this way in order to teach them the sort of music the examination committee likes. By the way, who chooses the examination pieces? It cannot be that the committee only knows each other's music; and yet it is strange that music by members of the committee is always included in the list.

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Paxton, 20p, \$1.75, another arrangement and one of the best; it lays well under the hands, is not cluttered up with unnecessary notes, comes off well on a small organ.

Francis Jackson-Impromptu

Oxford Press, 7p, \$1.20, an excellent piece composed for the 70th birthday of Edward Bairstow. It is an andante full of fine writing, with plenty of contrasts in rhythms and dynamics. Starting softly with an Oboe solo, it works up to full-organ climax, and ends pp. Of moderate difficulty; needs a fairly large organ with some good reeds to do it justice. An interest-

ing piece that demands your attention.

Masterpieces of Organ Music-Vols. 61, 62, 64, 65 Liturgical Music Press, distributed by Boosey & Hawkes, \$1.00 each volume. It is good that this excellent series of works by the 'old masters' is being continued. The four folios at hand have been edited by Ernest White and the engraving and general get-up are a distinct improvement over earlier ones. 61 contains six preludes by Johann Nicolaus Hanff, 1630-1706. 62 contains a Toccata, Capriccio, Fantasia, and Ricercare by Johann Jakob Froberger, 1616-1667. 64 contains two short preludes by Delphin Strungk, 1601-1694, and a fine Ricercare by Nicolaus Adam Strungk, 1640-1700. 65 gives pieces by Josquin Des Prez, Paul Hofhaimer, Ludwig Senfl. Here then is some first-class service music any organist in the land will find of practical use in many ways. Mr. White has done a splendid job of editing and the suggested registration may be fitted to any instrument. I suggest you get one of these folios and see how useful you will find this type of music in your

Alec Rowley—Fantasy of Happiness—Rhapsody Ashdown, 11p, \$1.25. The first is a lively work that fully portrays happiness in many forms; second is rugged, varied in mood, elegiac in character; both are of moderate difficulty and while perhaps less interesting than the suites mentioned here, they are well worth playing.

Alec Rowley-Heroic Suite Ashdown, 26p, \$2.00, an older work that seems to be unknown here; I like it even better than the newer suite. Consists of Heroic Prelude, Lament, Mood Fantasy, Triumph Song. Music is brilliant and while not so modern in style as the new work, it is more melodious and would have a more direct appeal to the average listener. It has been broadcast several times in England and seems to be popular there. I like the last two movements best, but Lament makes a nice service prelude. You cannot go wrong with these two suites, for the music is graceful, poetic, and built on solid scientific foundation.

Alec Rowley-Suite for Organ Ashdown, 28p, \$2.00. The organ music of Alec Rowley is receiving a great deal of attention, and as most of it is excellent for practical uses, new things from his pen are usually of first interest. This, his latest work, consists of Prelude, Canzona, Aspiration, Toccata. The Composer thinks this is his best organ work. It is fairly modern in spirit, the movements are all contrasted, it presents no difficulties to the performer, and it will prove effective on a modest instrument. Aspiration I like very much, with its changing harmonies and quiet registration; it makes an admirable foil to the Toccata. The complete Suite should make a first-rate recital number; separate pieces work well as voluntaries. Like all his music, this should prove useful for teaching. I recommend it to all of you.

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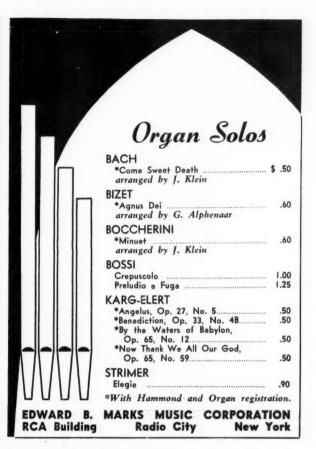
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C—Chorus (secular).
O—Oratorio-cantata-opera form.
M—Men's voices.
W—Women's voices.
J—Junior choir.
3—Three-part, etc.
4—Partly 4-part plus, etc.
Mixed voices and straight 4-part if not otherwise indicated.

Additional Cap-letters, next after above, refer to:
A—Ascension. N—New Year.
C—Christmas. P—Palm Sunday.
E—Easter. S—Special.
G—Good Friday. T—Thanksgiving.
L—Lent.

L-Lent.

After Title:
c.q.cq.qc.—Chorus, quartet, chorus
(preferred) or quartet, quartet
(preferred) or chorus.
s.a.t.b.l.m.—Soprano, alto, tenor,
bass, high-voice, low-voice, mediumvoice solos (or duets etc. if hyphenated.)
o.u.—Organ accompaniment, or unaccompanied.
e.d.m.v.—Easy, difficult, moderately,
very.

very.
3p.—3 pages, etc.
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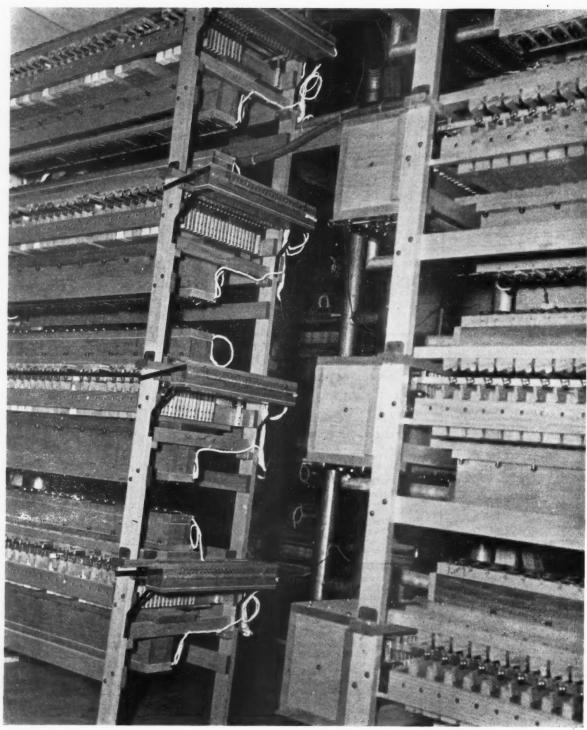
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THE ORGANIST'S DELIGHT
but the organbuilder's headache—it's the combon mechanism in Riverside
Church; it makes artistic registration possible. The organist finds the combination he wants, holds the setter-piston in with hand or foot, presses the
desired piston, and instantly that combination is captured by that piston.

THE AMERICAN ORGANIST

August 1949

Riverside Church at Last Gets a Console

By CHARLES E. BILLINGS

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HAD always thought of Virgil Fox as one of the best organists playing today; the second recording I owned was his performance of Mulet's Tu es Petra. A visit to Riverside Church brought home the fact that Mr. Fox is also an eminently successful logician.

Those who ever had the heart-breaking task of trying to find their way around the original console of the Hook-Hastings organ in Riverside will remember it as an experience calculated to produce ulcers, at least. Everything was there, and nothing was where it belonged. The new console is its diametric opposite. Mr. Fox has placed a total of 567 controls so that literally nothing seems out of place.

The console, built in 1948 by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co., is, to put it mildly, complex. At present it controls a 4m chancel organ, a 2m gallery organ with Echo. Mr. Fox has provided for three additional divisions: String Organ, Positiv, and Celestial; the first two will be chancel divisions, the Celestial will have some 30 stops and be located high in the chancel, possibly behind the four uncut-stone window-arches.

The console is thus set up to handle twelve divisions. In addition to 276 stopknobs it contains 291 other controls. I found myself utterly confused when first sitting on the bench, but after a short time, things began to take on a certain symmetry. It was at this point that Mr. Fox's logic became apparent; one finds little difficulty in handling the organ, after a few minutes. There are many gadgets not usually found; a few were completely new to me. There is also a bit of duplication in certain places. I think, in view of Mr. Fox's rich & varied coloring, and of the number of stops the organ will eventually contain, this duplication is entirely justified. The only fault I find is a certain paucity in labeling. This, although certainly a minor sin, does at times lead to a bit of confusion.

Although the console does not approach the garish hues of theater organs, a judicious use of color sets off certain groups of accessories. All controls for the chancel divisions use black printing on white ivory. Gallery combons etc. are printed in red. Two-section couplers for the proposed Celestial Organ are printed in dark blue. The full-organ coupler-tab is printed in white on red plastic. The Organs-On coupler-tabs have white printing on tabs of the following colors: red for gallery divisions, green for chancel, black for the tab bringing on both. This latter plan is continued in the reversibles in the right keycheek of the Great manual.

Those who have played divided organs will be familiar with the set-up used here. The Organs-On tabs are switches

An ode to logic and to Virgil Fox, being a description of a new console built by Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co. for one of the world's great artists. The console is only the first stage in the operation of giving Riverside the kind of organ it needs.

for current from console to mechanism (not blower power). The three controls may be operated from pistons in the right Great keycheek, or from toe-studs to the right of the pedalboard. They are so constructed that only one of the three may be on at any one time.

The proposed String and Positiv Organs, as well as the Echo, each has a manual allotted to it; however, each is also a floating division, within certain limits. By means of stpoknobs located with the various other divisions, the Echo may be moved (with the couplers affecting it) to Great, Swell, Choir, or Solo manuals. The Positiv may float to the Great, where it may be coupled at 8' and 16', and to the Swell and Solo. The String Organ is arranged to float from Solo to Great, Swell, and Choir.

There are four controls, operated by rocking-tablets near the middle of the upper row, which give All Strings, All Flutes, All Diapasons, and All Reeds, in that order left to right. These do not move the stopknobs.

Not shown in the console photograph is the eighth crescendo-shoe which is a master control operating all shutters of the entire organ regardless of the positions of the other shoes and independent of the crescendo-couplers. This master-shoe is on the toe-board at the extreme right, past the rows of toe-studs.

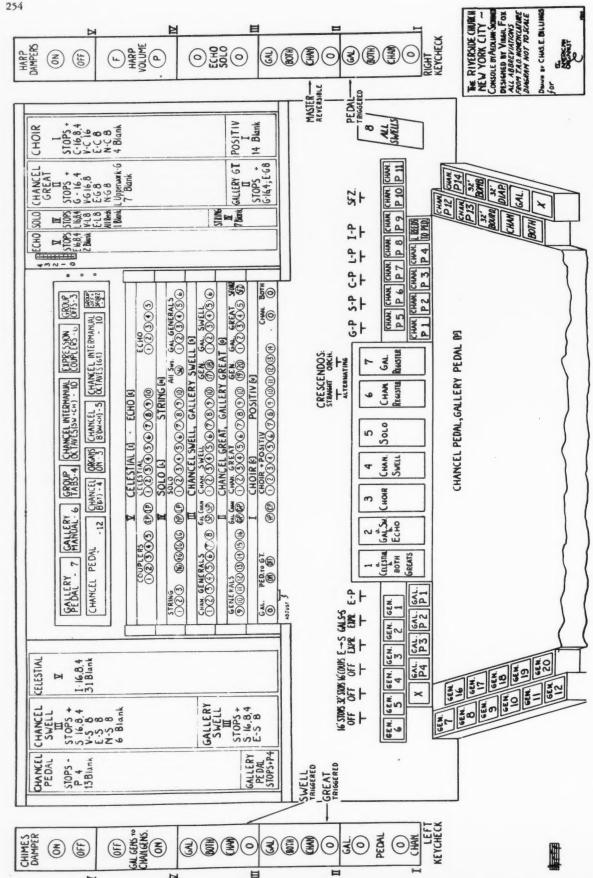
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The order of manuals, bottom to top: Choir & Positiv, Great, Swell, Solo & String, Celestial & Echo.

The two rows of rocking-tablets over the top manual operate the couplers and various other accessories. The universal & standard order of naming divisions and placing couplers and the like can easily be stated: Pedal, Great, Swell, Choir, Solo, Positiv, String, etc. Since the couplers in the Riverside console do not follow such a system, it will be enough here to generalize.

Top row, left to right: 6 to-Pedal; Pedal Divider; 6 to-Great & to-Swell; 4-specials; 6 to-Choir; 4 to-Swell; 6 crescendo-couplers; 3 silencers. Bottom row: 12 to-Pedal; 4 to-Great; 3 chancel-gallery triplicates; 3 to-Choir; 2 to-Swell: 2 transfers: 8 to-Great: 32' Pedal silencer; full-organ

Swell; 2 transfers; 8 to-Great; 32' Pedal silencer; full-organ. Stopknobs, left jamb: Pedal, Swell, Celestial, with the chancel divisions at the top, gallery at bottom. Right jamb: Echo, Solo, Great, Choir, with String under Solo, Positiv under Choir, chancel Great at top.





THE NEW RIVERSIDE CONSOLE

built by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co. for Virgil Fox in Riverside Church,
New York City, and typical not only of the art of this remarkable
concert organist but also of the future of the whole world
of the organ; one of New York's tew five-manuals.

Pistons under Celestial manual (which is the top one): 5 Coupler Combons; E-P & I-P Reversibles; 10 Celestial Combons; 5 Echo Combons.

Solo: 3 String Combons; N-G, V-G, I-G, L-G, N-P, L-P Reversibles; 10 Solo Combons; Crescendo Coupler; 6 Gallery Tutti Combons.

Readers who want facts about organs must use the standardized specification-form devised over several decades, with the help of innumerable contributors, by T.A.O. Those who have done that, will know that I indicates Celestial Organ (since C is already used to indicate Choir), N indicates String Organ (again because S is already used for Swell), and V is the Positiv Organ (since P is already being used for the Pedal). Thus, in the foregoing, N-G means String-to-Great, V-G is Positiv-to-Great, I-G is Celestial-to-Great. Also observe, in a moment, the "Pedal-to-Great Onoroffs" under the Choir manual; what these are we do not know; they are not described by Mr. Billings but they show in the console blueprints furnished by the Aeolian-Skinner office and Mr. Billings calls them "Pedal to Great Manual" in his diagram of the console. There is no particular reason why we should not have a P-G coup-ler if we want it, though heaven help the careless organist if he stumbles into it.

Swell: 8 Chancel Tutti Combons; Gallery S-P and Chancel S-P Reversibles; 10 Chancel Swell Combons; 2 Tutti

Combons; 6 Gallery Swell Combons.

Great: 8 Chancel Tutti Combons; Gallery G-P and Chancel G-P Reversibles; 10 Chancel Great Combons; 2 Tutti Combons; 5 Gallery Great Combons; Full-Organ Reversible.

Choir: Gallery Cancel; Pedal to Great Onoroffs; V-P and C-P Reversibles; 14 Choir & Positiv Combons; Chancel Cancel; Tutti Cancel.

Combon-Adjuster button is under the left end of the Choir manual; we hope it is fitted with lock & key so that

Mr. Fox can prevent tampering with his combinations. Pistons in the left keycheeks, top to bottom manuals: Chimes Dampers Onoroff; Gallery-Tutti Combons to Chancel Tutti Combons Onoroff; Gallery-Chancel Swells Triplicate, and Cancel; Gallery-Chancel Greats Triplicate, and Cancel; Gallery Pedal Cancel, and Chancel Pedal Cancel.

Right keycheeks: Harp Dampers Onoroff; Harp Forte and Piano; Echo Cancel, and Solo Cancel; Gallery-Chancel Greats Triplicate, and Cancel, Gallery-Chancel Pedals

Triplicate, and Cancel.

Crescendo-Shoes, left to right: Greats & Celestial, Gallery Swell & Echo, Choir, Chancel Swell (which is the master-shoe), Solo, Chancel Register, Gallery Register, and to the extreme right, not installed when our photo was taken, the permanent All-Shutters Crescendo.

Toe-Levers left of shoes, left to right: 16' Stops Cancel, 32' Stops Cancel, 16' Couplers Cancel, Echo Shutters to Swell Shoe, Gallery Swell Shutters to Swell Shoe, E-P

Ditto, over the shoes at the right: String Crescendo Reversible, Orchestral Crescendo Reversible.

Ditto, right of the shoes: G-P, S-P, C-P, L-P, I-P, and Full-Organ Reversibles.

Toe-Studs, left of shoes, upper row: 6 Tutti Combons; lower row: 4 Gallery Pedal Combons, and one stud unidentified.

Ditto, right of shoes, upper row: 7 Chancel Pedal Combons; lower row: 4 Chancel Pedal Combons, and one marked "Solo Reeds Reversible," not otherwise explained.



THIS ONE WAS HOPELESS
It's the original Hook-Hastings console in Riverside. "Everything was there and nothing was where it belonged." So bad was it that one concert organist, engaged for a recital, turned away in disgust and had to be patiently coaxed into going on with it.

And most unusual, to T.A.O.'s way of thinking, are those sets of toe-studs following along down the left & right edges of the pedalboard, though Mr. Billings points out that this had been done already in Trinity Church, Boston. Anyway, along the left edge of the pedalboard are 11 Full-Organ Combons, and along the right, next to the keys, toe-end to heel-end, nearest row: 2 Chancel Pedal Combons, 32' Bourdon Reversible, Chancel-On Exclusive, Chancel & Gallery On; outside row: Chancel Pedal Combon, 32' Bombarde Reversible, 32' Diapason Reversible, Gallery-On Exclusive, and one unidentified.

SOME T.A.O. CONCLUSIONS

An orchestra will be eternally superior to an organ largely because each individual voice is under direct individual control in an orchestra, while in an organ the player can control the voices only in groups. Therefore the more intelligently-planned gadgets we can have in a console, providing they do not interfere with the easy use of the standard gadgets, the better will be our organ music. We can hardly have a finer organist to devise some of those gadgets than Mr. Fox. But for a third person to attempt to exactly define new gadgets is something else again. Until the organ world stops its childish attitude and adopts standard names for standard actions, nothing much can be done.

Mr. Billings did an enormous amount of work in preparing his description of the console. If time & money permitted, this description could be so complete as to leave no unanswered questions. The Riverside organ remains very largely as the builders left it; the stoplist will be found in Sept. 1931 T.A.O. and we don't consider it worth repeating here, especially since such important changes are already planned and must certainly be made before the organ can be good enough to match the quality Riverside Church pretends to claim for itself. Not a courteous comment. no, but it's truth—and it might not be bad to have the truth thrown coldly even at such a magnificent institution as Riverside Church.

As organs went in those 1930's, this instrument was not really bad; it just wasn't good. Expert organists have visited Riverside since Mr. Fox's advent there and been convinced that considerable tonal revisions have been made. They have not. For a long time, the only tonal changes made were done by Virgil Fox himself at the console; figure it out for yourself. It's a tribute to his genius that he has thus been able to fool even the experts. Certainly the organ sounds better; thank Mr. Fox for that, not Riverside Church or any organbuilder.

A few console gadgets lend themselves to normal & understandable terms.

Combons—merely a shortening of the otherwise rather stupid flow of words in saying Combinations Adjustable at the Console without Leaving the Bench or Discontinuing Playing.

Reversibles—touch it once and it does something, touch it again and it does the opposite. Great-to-Pedal Reversible, for example.

Onoroffs—the commonest example, Chimes Dampers On

Silencers—these stop the function of a console device but do not move the device itself. For example, Octave Couplers Silencer would silence the effect but would not put the 16' or 4' couplers off.

Cancels—these do put the console device physically off. 16' Stops Cancel is a good example; if any 16' stops are drawn, the cancel physically puts the stopknobs or stoptongues in the off position.

Triplicates—Riverside console has a few of them. They usually require three pistons. For example, Chancel-Gallery Triplicate; one piston puts the Chancel on alone, another puts the Gallery on alone, and the third puts both on.

Exclusives—a good example would be the Chimes Exclusive as built by Austin for their organ in the Second Presbyterian, New York. Touch the normal Chimes stoptongue and the Chimes are added to anything else that happens to be on the manual; but touch the Chimes Exclusive, on the Solo manual for example, and the Chimes alone will speak, all other stops drawn at the moment will remain drawn but their action is silenced so that nothing but the Chimes will speak from that Solo manual.

Ensembles—that pernicious thing stupidly called, even in these enlightened days, the Sforzando. It's not a sforzando for anything less than almost full-organ. In T.A.O. it is invariably called exactly what it is, Full-Organ Reversible—for in every case if we touch the piston or toestud a second time, the full-organ comes off. Riverside has, as we see it, at least four Ensemble pistons. They are labeled merely All Strings, All Flutes, All Diapasons, All Reeds—and evidently nobody knows what they do excepting Mr. Fox. Maybe they bring into play all the strings and silence everything else drawn at the moment; maybe they only add all the strings to what is drawn; maybe they push the stop-



IMPOSING BUT DISAPPOINTING
Riverside Church looks important but leaves a feeling of emptiness, possibly
because it shows grandeur without originality and hasn't the least
sign of an organicase such as is the Invariable asset of
every great cathedral in all Christendom.

knobs in and make all the string voices sound without putting the string stops on; maybe they merely change the register-crescendo so that nothing on that crescendo sounds excepting the strings. It might be unsafe for any reader to attempt to translate actions into T.A.O.'s terminology; much better to tell T.A.O. exactly what a device does, and let T.A.O. do the classifying & naming.

Couplers are either One-Section or Two-Section. Those pretentious and often erroneous words, Intermanual and Intramanual, are offensive. Neither applies, for example, to any manual-to-pedal coupler, but One-Section and Two-Section terminology covers the whole thing. And he who runs may read & understand.

Pedal Divider—without moving any stopknobs or stoptongues this device silences all manual-to-pedal couplers below a given pedalboard note, and silences all Pedal stops above that note. In this case the Pedal clavier thus divides at middle-C. A gadget, sure; but for an artist like Mr. Fox it can lead to some beautiful music.

Transfers—these are tough customers for an organbuilder because of the couplers. A Great-Choir Transfer would make the Great Organ playable from the Choir manual, and the Choir Organ playable from the Great manual. Whether a Transfer is worth the money is debatable; normally T.A.O. believes it is not.

Solo Reeds to Pedal Reversible—"puts on all Solo reeds and couples them to Pedal." If this means Solo reeds, they come only from the Solo Organ; if it means solo reeds, they come from any division that contains solo reeds—Clarinet, Oboe, Vox Humana, Trumpet, Bombarde.

Crescendo Selective—evidently gives orchestral voices exclusively on the Chancel Organs Register-Crescendo. Other Crescendo Selectives in the console are 4 or 5, we do not know which, giving varying degrees of crescendo from mild to full. Push the corresponding piston and the register-crescendo effect stops at that point.

138 stopknobs in left jamb;

138 stopknobs in right jamb;

72 rocking-tablets over top manual;

125 pistons under the manuals;

28 pistons in the keycheeks-making a total of

501 manual devices.

8 crescendo-shoes;

14 toe-levers;

44 toe-studs—making a total of

66 pedal devices-which in turn make a total of

567 console controls.

Latin Pronunciation

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ROMAN styles of pronunciation differ somewhat from Italian styles. The authority is not based primarily on any Church decree, although some of these reiterate the scholarship background on which the Roman style is based. Some of this background is well expressed in a Pastoral Letter, dated Oct. 9, 1921, by Cardinal Verdier of Paris: "Latin has evolved like every other living language by known phonetic laws. But in Rome its pronunciation has not been corrupted in the process, only normally modified."

This is true because Latin has never ceased to be a spoken living language in Rome. The so-called classical pronunciation of Latin used in public highschools and certain colleges today was originally an attempt to approximate the pronunciation used in the days of Ceasar. It was reconstructed synthetically, since with the fall of the Republic in 44 B.C. the Golden Age of Latin literature began to come to an end and there was no tradition either literary or spoken to connect it with later ages.

Hence even if the classical pronunciation had a 100% foundation in scholarship, which it does not claim to have, it would still have little or no connection with Church Latin which was the actual spoken language of the people at the time when St. Jerome made his famous Latin translation of the Bible (the Vulgate) and liturgy began to assume the form in which we know it today.

With the breakup of the Roman empire, the spoken Latin began to be modified, and gradually became, in the different countries, the romance languages of today—French, Spanish, Roumanian, etc. However, Latin, both written and spoken, continued as the language of learning and so remains even today to a large extent, not in the Church alone but in medical & legal professions also.

In Rome the tradition remained unbroken, since the barbarians who settled in almost every part of the empire only passed through Rome. With the Renaissance there was a great increase in interest in the Latin authors of the Golden Age. The classical pronunciation today is a byproduct of the Renaissance, and the tradition of Church Latin continued in Rome side by side with renewed interest in the classics; thus Latin today preserved in the Roman tradition is a universal language. Eminent men of many faiths have sometimes urged the adoption of Latin by the entire world as the universal language of diplomats—and it might be worth trying, considering the state of the world.

With this as a preface, let me say that Latin pronunciation now for us is merely a matter of using English sounds in the right places. There are no sounds entirely foreign to our English, as there are, for example, in French and German. Here are some practical helps based on rules compiled from Dom Sunol's Text Book of Gregorian Chant (J. Fischer & Bro.) and Dom Mocquereau's Le Nombre Musical Gregorien, Vol. 2 (Desclee & Co.). For a fuller explanation with many examples I suggest The Correct Pronunciation of Latin According to Roman Usage, published by the St. Gregory Guild Inc., 1705 Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

Incidentally I differ on the pronunciation of excelsis as given on T.A.O.'s January 1949 p.20. Apparently that was based on a literal and linear declamation of the letters as they came along. Ex by itself would be eks, and cel by itself would be chel; but the two together are not eks-chel. Why? Because x and c coming together form a sort of consonantal diphthong. X equals ks (from the Greek letter xi which in turn was originally a double-consonant ks or kappa-sigma) but the c of cel coalesces with the ks sound to form ksc. Now sc according to the general rules

is pronounced sh before the letter e. Therefore xc is pronounced ksh and the word is ek-shell-sis (and the footnote to the congregation will be unnecessary).

One of my old teachers, the late Dr. Joseph Otten, used to say, "Think of egg-shell and then just change it to ekshell." This really amounts to the pronunciation you would prefer except an h-sound is added which in reality makes it even easier to pronounce.

In Latin there are no silent letters (with possibly one exception, see h below); therefore every letter and syllable is to be pronounced.

Vowels

A as in father. E as ay in say. I as ee in feet. O as o in form. U as oo in boot.

Y, always a vowel, same as I, which is ee in feet.

Double Vowels

As a general rule when two or more vowels come together, each keeps its own timbre and length, as in die-i which is dee-ay-ee; and ky-ri-e, pronounced key-ree-ay (key as in English; ree as in greet; ay as in say).

However, ae and oe are pronounced as one sound, the same as Latin e alone (equals ay in say), e.g., caelo equals chay-lo.

Qu and ngu followed by another vowel form one syllable, as in qui (kwee), like queen; and sanguis (sahngwees), first syllable like song, the ngu as in English sanguine.

Consonants

B, d, f, k, l, m, n, p, q, r, and v, are pronounced the same as in English.

C, before e, i, ae and oe is soft—as ch in church; e.g., cesso like chess; before a, o, u and in all other cases it is hard—as c in can; e.g., cado like Mikado; and credo, pronounced cray-doe.

Cc before e, i, ae, and oe, is like tch in English etch, e.g., ecce equals etchay.

Sc before e, i, ae, and oe, is like sh—as in shut; e.g., scindo pronounced shindo, similar to Shinto; otherwise it is hard as in scan; e.g., scala like La Scala.

it is hard as in scan; e.g., scala like La Scala.

G before e, i, ae, and oe, is soft—as in generous; e.g., gens like gentle; otherwise it is hard—as in go; e.g., rego pronounced ray-go; grammaticus similar to grammar.

Gn is as ny—Agnus becomes An-yoos (An as in swan; yoos as in useless).

H is silent except in the words mihi and nihil where it is pronounced as k (meekee and neekeel). Although this is the rule given in authoritive treatises on Roman pronunciation and is an easy one to follow, the question of the pronunciation, or non-pronunciation, of the letter h is still a matter of some discussion among philologists. In practise, and with the authority of a number of savants, some choirmasters pronounce h at the beginning of words like homo, hosanna, and hic, haec, hoc as a simple aspirate (like hello) and consider it silent in such words as catholication.

J is like our y—Jesus becomes Yay-soos.

S is always like a hiss, never like our z.

Ti when occurring between two vowels is tsi—gratia becomes grah-tsi-ah. Otherwise t is same as in English.

X is like our English x excepting when followed by c, when it equals xc, pronounced ksh—excelsis becomes ekshell-sees.

Z is like our dz—zizania becomes dzee-dzah-nee-ah. In the case of double-consonants, each should be clearly sounded—bello is bayl-lo (bayl being similar to sail).

All these rules might be condensed into the following Big Five which would then cover about 99% of Latin pronunciation. Beginners should concentrate particularly on Rules 2 & 4.

1. No silent letters in Latin. All are pronounced as in

English except: I. All vowels (Rules 2 & 3); II. Consonants c & g (Rule 4); III. And a few special combinations (Rule 5)

2. Vowels as in the mnemonic, "Father says feet are in the form of boots," which gives the sounds of a, e, i, in "Father says feet," and the o & u in "form of boots." gives us the complete common vowels, a, e, i, o, u, and is certainly easy to remember in its mnemonic.

3. Double vowels, i.e. two or more vowels occurring together, are pronounced singly as separate syllables, except the diphthongs ae and oe which are the same as e alone and

follow any rules concerning e, as in Rule 4.

4. Consonants c and g each have two distinct sounds: soft, as in English church and generous, before e, ae, oe, and i; hard, as in English can and go in all other cases. This can conveniently be called the "cg soft before ei" rule (which also includes the c-combinations sc & cc whose soft renditions are sh and tch respectively).

5. Agnus, Jesus, gratia, and excelsis are pronounced respectively, Ahnyoos, Yaysoos, grahtsiah, and ekshellsis. These are the most common words embodying the rules gn equals ny, j equals y, ti between two vowels equals tsi, and xc equals ksh.

VIRGIL FOX—SOME IMPRESSIONS

By H. Winthrop Martin, organist of Wellesley Congregational
The Wellesley Conference presented Mr. Fox in a recital June 30, his first in the Boston area in several years. It proved a rare treat, as the screen which usually hides the console of the 3m Aeolian-Skinner was removed and the audience had an unimpeded view of the artist manipulating the

stops & pedals with dexterity and finesse.

His own arrangement of Campra's Rigaudon opened the program in declamatory fashion, and from that moment the audience was his. Handel's Concerto in F was played with taste and appreciation of the Handelian style; the final Presto

was warmly applauded.

O Man Bemoan Thy Grievous Sin, the Gigue Fugue, and Toccata in F provided everything the Bach-lovers desired. Mr. Fox played the Gigue Fugue at a rapid clip. Far from sounding muddy, it made one want to stand up & cheer. The Toccata was also a thrilling experience for me; it is inclined to sound logy & boresome, unless it receives treatment such as this artist can give it. Colorful registration infused it with new life. The pedal passages were taken at astonishing tempo with all present appreciating the technic thus displayed.

Franck's Prelude-Fugue-Variation has been used extensively by Mr. Fox in recitals; however, it wears well under the fingers of a discriminating tonal painter and this presentation was no exception. The contrasting effects produced by reeds, flutes, and strings balanced against each other in the Prelude and Variation provided exquisite patterns of harmony. Diapasons were used excitingly in the fugal section.

The Adagio of Mendelssohn's Sonata Fm provided a peaceful oasis in a generally-enervating program; at the Sonata's conclusion, the audience burst into spontaneous enthusiasm. Seth Bingham's Roulade was delicate and entertaining, the Trumpet fanfare providing an original and pleasing sur-prise. Widor's Toccata concluded the program and then the audience had, for encores, Middleschulte's Pedal Pageant, Bach's Come Sweet Death, Mulet's Tu Es Petra.

COAST GUARD MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Now being prepared for Coast Guard Academy, New London The politicians have kindly authorized the Coast Guard to "accept private contributions to build a Memorial Chapel which will serve as a perpetual memorial to Coast Guardsmen who lost their lives in war and peace," and one of the early contributions, accepted June 14, is a set of Chimes by the Maas Organ Co. as a specific memorial "to the 135



MAAS CHIMES IN HIGH OFFICE
an Co. has been selected to build its special Chimes as a n
by the Manufal Chapel now being built for the Coast Guard Acade
by London, Conn.; representing the Company are a set of Maas
Chimes and, at left, Paul Rowe, former Coast Guardsman.

southern California Guardsmen who gave their lives in worldwar 2." The photograph herewith shows a smaller Maas Chimes product, present at the acceptance ceremonies for decorative purposes, and on the left Paul Rowe, one of the members of the Maas Company and an active flotilla com-mander of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. With him, representing the C.G., are Com. Roland W. Snow and Rear-Adm. L. B. Olson. The Maas installation will not be the Chimes pictured but a product considerably larger.

Now what that new Memorial Chapel needs is an organ. It is to be hoped the C. G. Academy will be fortunate enough to find an organist like West Point did in Frederick C. Mayer, and their organ will thereby be assured. Mr. Mayer gave West Point its magnificent organ by his genius in securing, at not one penny of cost to the government or the Academy, an unending flow of memorial gifts by which the organ was brought to its present importance and perfection. May the new Chapel at New London, Conn., be equally fortunate.

HAYDN'S MUSICAL CLOCKS

Recorded by E. Power Biggs on Germanic Museum Organ

Victor's 10" 10-1471 disk gives these eight movements and provides delightful listings as well as expert playing. Haydn was the soul of happiness, not an apostle of gloom; these pieces were written just for fun-an idea totally abhorrent to Modern Composers. In these the top-work organ is at its best, with its bright high-pitched flutes and spicy mixtures. Mr. Biggs gives the story of the clock pieces. A friend & pupil of Haydn's liked to build special clocks that contained miniature but complete organs, the pipes placed horizontally; clock mechanisms operated cylinders and bellows to play these little pieces at certain hours, and Haydn wrote pieces for them, all short, dances, allegrettos, and even andantes. But they all had the typical Haydn freshness & charm. Mr. Biggs arranged seven of them for organ and Gray published the set; Victor here records eight. It's a delightful record for every library; the highbrow wouldn't dare turn up his nose at Haydn, the honest man wouldn't want to.

NEWBURY, MASS. First Congregational Kilgen Organ Co. V-23. R-25. S-29. B-5. P-1558. PEDAL: V-3. R-3. S-8.

Major Bass 32 Bourdon 56 (Gedeckt-S) Octave 44 (Bourdon)

(Gedeckt-S) (Octave) (Bourdon)

GREAT: V-6. R-6. S-6. Diapason 61 Hohlfloete 61

Dulciana 61 Principal 61 Twelfth 61 2 2/3 Fifteenth 61

Tremulant SWELL: V-9. R-11. S-9. Lieblichgedeckt 73 16 8 Geigen-Diapason 73 Gedeckt 73

Viole de Gambe 73 Viole Celeste 73 Flute h 73

III Plein-Jeu 183 Trompette 73 Oboe 73 Tremulant

FREE ECHO: V-5. R-5. S-6.

Fernfloete 61 Vox Angelica 61 Vox Aetheria tc 49 Flauto Amabile 61 Vox Humana 61 Chimes 21

Tremulant COUPLERS 16:

Ped.: G-8-4. S-8-4. E. Gt.: G-16-8-4. S-16-8-4. E. Sw.: S-16-8-4. E.

Crescendos 3: S. E. Register. Combons 19: GP-5. SP-5. E-4. Tutti-5 Reversibles 2: G-P. Full-Organ. Cancels 5: P. G. S. E. Tutti. Blowers: 3 h.p. & 1/2 h.p. Orgoblos. Mr. Nies-Berger

Handel, Saul: Overture Couperin, Benedictus Qui Venit Boccherini, Minuet

Bach, Toccata F Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring Franck, Chorale Am Debussy, Clair de Lune Bossi, St. Francis & Swallows

Sowerby, Toccata

Organ is located in the chancel, Echo Organ in rear of auditorium. Mr. Nies-Berger played the dedication recital April 4, 1949. As the stoplist shows, it's a 2m, the Echo being homeless and playable at will from Great, Swell, and Pedal. A wise congregation saved a little money by this method, without sacrificing the usefulness of the Echo; though it would have been easier for the organist if two sets of triplicates had been provided, Great-Echo, and Swell-Echo. Presumably this could have been done at not too great expense. Such triplicates should be located in the respective keycheeks.

The right kind of an organist should get a great amount of lovely music out of this stoplist.

LENOIRE, N.C. First Presbyterian

Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co. Finished, May 1949

V-26. R-36. S-28. B-2. P-2064 PEDAL: V-4. R-7. S-6.

Rohrbordun 32 16 (Bourdon-S) Quintaten pf 32 Principal 32

(Bourdon-S) IV Mixture pf 128 GREAT: V-5. R-9. S-5. Quintaten pf 61 16 Diapason 61 8

Bourdon 61 Principal 61 V Fourniture 285

SWELL: V-9. R-12. S-9. Bourdon 68 16 Rohrfloete 68 Viole de Gambe 68

Viole Celeste 68 Rohrfloete 68 IV Plein-Jeu 244

Bombarde 68 16 Trompette 68 8 4 Clarion 68

Tremulant CHOIR: V-8. R-8. S-8.

Bourdon 68 Dulciana 68 Vicla pf 68 4 Prestant pf 68

Koppelflote 68 Nasard pf 61 2 2/3 2 Blockfloete 61

Tierce pf 61 Tremulant 1 3/5 COUPLERS 18:

Ped.: G. S-8-4. C-8-4. Gt.: S-16-8-4. C-16-8-4. Sw.: S-16-4.

Ch.: S-16-8-4. C-16-4. Crescendos 3: S. C. Register. Combons 22: P-4. G-4. S-5. C-5.

Combon Couplers 3: P-G. P-S. P-C. Reversibles 4: G-P. S-P. C-P. Full-Organ.

Cancels 1: Tutti.

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Blower: 5 h.p. Orgoblo furnishing 5" wind to the chests, 10" to console. Action Current: Orgelectra.

Our Savior Lutheran M. P. Moller Inc. Finished, May 1949 V-6. R-6. S-26. B-20. P-421. PEDAL: V-1. R-1. S-6. Bourdon 32 (Bourdon-S)

(Diapason-G)

(Bourdon-S) (Diapason-G) (Bourdon-S) GREAT: V-3. R-3. S-10.

Diapason 73 (Bourdon-S) Gamba 61 Dulciana 85 (Diapason) (Bourdon-S)

(Dulciana) (Dulciana) 2 2/3(Dulciana) 8 (Trumpet-S)

One prepared-for. SWELL: V-2. R-2. S-10. 16 Bourdon 97

(Bourdon) (Gamba-G) (Dulciana-G)

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rimpet 73 (Trumpet) Tremulant

One prepared-for. Couplers 3: G-P. S-P. S-G Combons 6: PG-3. SP-3. Crescendos 2: S. Register.

Blower: 1 h.p.

Suggested by BROOCKE EUBANK Brownwood, Texas

V-5. R-5. S-10. B-5. P-377.

PEDAL: S-2. (Bourdon-G) 16 (Bourdon-G) GREAT: V-2. R-2. S-4. Principal 73 Bourdon 73m16'

(Flute-S) (Principal) : V-3. R-3. S-4. SWELL:

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"The next voice added might be a 2r Rauschquinte, or maybe Voix Celeste; I would probably use the Rauschquinte.'

This is obviously intended for service accompanying rather than solo playing; for that purpose, having only one 16' Pedal voice would not be too much of a handicap, though readers should never forget the dual-tone pipes for this purpose, even though the dual feature be used only for the bottom octave.

E. POWER BIGGS
was again organist for the Berkshire Festival,
playing a Bach & Sowerby recital July 31,
Bach & Hindemith Aug. 7, and all-Bach
Aug. 14.

J. BERTRAM STRICKLAND
earned his Mus.Bac. June 11, 1949, in University of Michigan and now goes to Oberlin
for the M.Mus. In addition to organ, he's
interested in carillons and has given carillon
recitals.

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

AND REVIEWS

In which the members of the profession and industry speak for themselves through the record of their actions and thus provide food for thought on topics of current importance to the world of the organ.

Smatterings

ERE'S one to figure out. Some-body was reporting some organ pieces and named them "Dialogue and Fugue and Litany for Worship." How many pieces were there and what were the titles? The book of rules, it seems, said never to use a comma before and. Also the book of rules seems to say we must always use and, never &. If we ignore both rules we can tell the reader exactly how many pieces were involved and what their titles: Dialogue & Fugue, and Litany for Worship. Right?

Ever take the trouble to check up on what people tell you? For reasons I do not remember I decided to find out about St. Swithin. If it rained on his July 15 it would rain for the next forty days; if it was clear, it would be clear for the next 40. All right; the year it rained we had 18 rainy days, 22 clear ones; the year it was clear, we had 23 clear days, 17 rainy ones. We mustn't blame this on Mr. Swithin; he had nothing to do with it: the blame belongs on gullible humanity. I don't blame anyone for not checking; it's quite a nuisance to have to remember the checking for 40 consecutive days.

Almost five years ago I wanted to know the exact dates when each of the four seasons began, and was surprised to discover they seemed to begin whenever they liked, not according to any fixed schedule I could find anywhere. I'm not having too much luck. Spring began on the 20th of March three years, summer arrived June 22 one year and jumped to the 21st for the next two, autumn was sober enough to come Sept. 23 four years in succession, but winter arrived Dec. 22 twice and then advanced to the 21st. Nice piece of business.

"As your organist for 26 years, my word should be final in all matters pertaining to the music of the services. An impossible situation has arisen and I am forced to realize that this is no longer possible. If singers or instrumentalists can be placed on our Sunday programs without my knowledge or consent, and regardless of my opinion as to their musical worth, one can vision what may follow. I cannot allow this to go unchallenged; but under present conditions it would be folly for me to attempt making a stand. You have herewith my resignation. I do not feel that longer notice is necessary." T.A.O. has covered identities, places, & times, so instead of trying to guess who he was, or when he resigned, go on to the next one

next one.

"I played a funeral the other day. The minister told me to contact the widow, as she was an accomplished musician and would be particular about the music played. I phoned her and this is what she requested that I play: Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto 1, 'At Dawning,' 'Gypsy Love Song,' and 'Ah Sweet Mystery of Life'." Don't know, but I think the correspondent played what the lady wanted; she was paying the bill. Maybe she was glad the old man died.

Just to further confuse you & lead you to misunderstand Frederick L. Marriott's Moonlight on the Lake, here is what Mr. Marriott said about his registrational difficulties on Columbia University's organ; be sure to look at the music first, so you'll be completely put off the track: "It was difficult to get proper effects on the Columbia organ, although it is a beautiful organ, since most of the desirable 8' manual flutes went only to G instead of to C. No 4' flute was adequate for the effect I wanted. The only flute I could couple at 4' was from the Swell, leaving only the Great, Choir, and unenclosed Positiv

& Brustwerk for all delicate voices. You will realize what a problem was presented." Mr. Marriott's coloring was especially important all through his recital, doubly important in his own compositions; what he says here will certainly fool everybody but the most experienced colorist. Two reasons for the quotation: 1. to show that registration, to a great artist such as Mr. Marriott is, takes infinite time, experiment, patience; 2. that the modern idea of not carrying the chests up a full 73-notes for complete use of the 4' couplers may perhaps need further thought.

"What is a Polyphonic Bourdon and how does it differ from a Resultant, mechanically & tonally?" All T.A.O. old-timers know the answers; these things were long ago covered in these pages. A Polyphonic pipe has two sources of wind, or two feet; one gives a larger supply than the other, so that the voicer gets a loud and a soft tone from one and the same pipe, depending upon which wind-supply is used by the console control. It's invaluable in all small organs that otherwise would have only one 16' Pedal voice. A Resultant is produced by wiring the unison of one pipe, usually 16', and the quint of (usually) another, together so that when the stop is drawn and a key pressed, two pipes sound together, such as C & G, and the tone resulting from these gives the effect of a 32'. The builders & buyers always hope it will. Sometimes is does.

Don't use melody pieces for preludes if your church is up or on the way up; if it's at the bottom and wants to stay there, feed it meledy. In a good service everything should hang together, each item not an entity of itself or for its own sake but dependent on and melting with all the other items; and a melody has a way of standing apart from everything, even its own accompaniment, so that it draws attention to itself too much. I have yet to hear a pure melody piece in any respectable church without its cheapening the whole service. On a recital, fine; music then must draw attention to its own values. But never in a church.

I know a church that has good money to spend for an organist and it's still looking. Just one organist after another, and still changing. When the changing began, they wrote me for a good organist and I named them some half-dozen. They had money enough, so I named some that were not registered with us as wanting a change; but they were good organists and I knew it. The church later reported its interest in a man I had not named and I reported thumbs down; I had never heard of him; he had taken no part whatever in the professional affairs of the organ world; he was even too dumb to be a



WA-LI-RO'S FIFTEENTH ANNUAL
summer conference drew boys and men from twenty-five states; here they cre
at St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, Ohio; second row, left to right, if
you can find them, are Paul Allen Beymer, Walter Blodgett,
Paul Callaway; Mr. Beymer conducted a voice clinic.

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subscriber to T.A.O. A doctor who doesn't read the medical journals can go jump in the lake when I'm sick; certainly I wouldn't consult him. Anyway the church went against my advice and in two years were back after us for another organist. Again they went against my advice. And now they are after another. The ones they hired just didn't make good; I suspected in advance they wouldn't. No man or woman who takes no interest whatever in the rest of the profession, has no knowledge at all of what the rest of the organ world is thinking & doing, is good enough to serve a real church. I don't know how long it will take this gang to discover that, but if they want to be fooled all the time it's not going to worry me. Only I do regret that one of our truly competent organists is thus being deprived of exactly the opportunity he or she wants & needs.—T.S.B.



Restore Organ Music By ROWLAND W. DUNHAM Associate Editor, Church Department

CECENT growth of the multiplechoir system has led to a great emphasis on choral music in the service. One of the most regrettable results has been inevitably a considerable reduction in organ music within the limits of the actual service itself.

There are churches where the spirit of devotion is a part of the interior of the building. Even many of the so-called nonliturgical have developed the dignity of approach, thus eliminating social activity during the prelude. This is a distinct advance in the interest of effective organ music and in the very definite purpose of the entire service. Still remaining are many congregations where conversation & hubbub make instrumental preliminaries redundant.

For centuries the organ has been identified with religious services in buildings dedicated to this purpose. So peculiarly adapted is it to this function that its use as a medium for secular exploitation and virtuosity is debatable. But this is another story.

Limitation of organ solos to the prelude is so common that other use has become obscured. As to the introductory piece, a recent talk by Dr. Frank Van Dusen at the M.T.N.A. convention should be cited for much advice that is sensible and catholic. He makes many valuable suggestions as to material available, much of which is likely to be neglected. This paragraph is especially notable:

"When considering appropriate music for a church service, we must always select from a standpoint of whether it is right for the particular service in mind. Too, we must never forget that we may be devout through praise as well as prayer. Who can say that a vigorous Bach fugue would not preface a service of praise as well as a quiet prayerful type of composition would preface a communion service? Many organists feel that in the selection of a prelude in a formal liturgical service there is no limitation in the use of contrapuntal materials, whereas in the nonliturgical service a greater range of homophonic music might at times better fit the less formal atmosphere; and we find that the liturgical service, generally, will permit use of composition in more formal style."

will permit use of composition in more formal style."

Included in his list of suitable organ music is music of the dissonant brash type of today, particularly French. Carefully chosen, there is a certain obligation incumbent on all church organists to include some of these works. There is no doubt that traditional harmonic methods are being modified in this direction—that some of this music is here to stay. Our younger folk find acceptance easier than we older people whose greater knowledge views revolutions with suspicion.



SOMETHING NEW TO AMERICA

Class and faculty of the recent summer course in the Schulmerich School of
Campanology, Princeton, N.J., the School's second annual summer session. Pictured here are organists and university professors
from as far distant as possible—Seattle Washington.

A warning is given regarding pre-Bach. The astute organist will discover the beautiful and cull out the dry-as-dust chaff—not an easy decision for the uninitiated. It was refreshing to note approval of some music that so many regard as utterly dated—movements from the better sonatas by Guilmant, Mendelssohn, and even the maligned Rheinberger. Is it a sign of senescence to admit a lurking liking for the last-named composer's D-flat, Pastoral, and A-minor?

Transcriptions, too, receive attention. This kind of music seems to be in sharp disfavor in some circles. We must remember that Bach himself made arrangements of Italian chamber music and of his own Fugue in D-minor for violin; in my opinion the transcription is more effective than the original

original.

With the present trends in church it is urged that organists restore organ music to a more favorable position. There ought to be a fair proportion of the offertory interim in the service where an organ piece is played. Congregations are likely to welcome this variety where there are a good performer & adequate instrument. To insert a personal note, one of my happiest church connections was a period where the minister asked for frequent occasions of this kind. He would shorten other sections of the service, even his own sermon, for a work like a Franck Chorale or a Bach Prelude & Fugue squarely in the middle of the service hour—often for a full fifteen minutes. And the congregation approved.

Organ music at moments when it can be properly heard belongs in the church service. Do not let it be stifled.—R.W.D. SCHULMERICH SCHOOL OF CAMPANOLOGY

Our picture shows, left to right, George Bailey, Kenneth R. Osborne, Paul Bartholomew, Lawrence Franck, Arthur Henkel, Dr. Harry A. Sykes, Mrs. Bailey, Jeane LaGrone Smith, Arthur L. Bigelow, Virginia Jean, Frances Harris; in the background, Princeton Inn where the students lived. Instruction was given in Westminster Choir College and in Cleveland Tower of Princeton University. One of these days T.A.O. still hopes to be able to give its readers the facts about carillons, chimes, that remarkable Schulmerich product marketed as Carillonic Bells, and kindred subjects. In the world of music, probably nothing has had faster & wider acceptance than Mr. Schulmerich's product—but to get him to tell about it is another matter; he's too busy manufacturing & perfecting it. But some day . . .

"THE GREAT CONFLICT OF OUR TIMES
"is personality versus collectivism. Collectivism in its various forms has deprived the individual of his individuality. All the troubles of the world come from this. The task immediately before us is to safeguard the integrity of the individual within the modern state."—Albert Schweitzer.

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WEDDINGS-TIMES OF DEEP SORROW

Reported by Parke S. Barnard

Now that the wedding season's safely (?) past for another year, it might be interesting to note what can happen when a musician gets married. The occasion in question was the hitchin' of an honor graduate in a music school and a helpless male—who plays not, neither does he sing. He engineers. It all happened in an Ohio Presbyterian Church. The point of this little fable lies in the fact that a short organ recital was included, timed to fall after the hour announced on the invitations. The only organist in the crowd was the writer; yet all the numbers were specifically requested:

Pasquini, Pastorale
Bach, Sheep May Safely Graze
Bach, Dearest Jesus We Are Here
Tchaikovsky, Andante Cantabile (oops!)
Reger, Dearest Jesus We Are Here
Reger, A Mighty Fortress
Rowley, Benedictus

Peeters, Morning Hymm Hindemith, Awake My Treasure

and also, by a pert little Miss from another music school, Handel's "Where e'er you walk," Grieg's "Ich liebe dich," Malotte's "The Lord's Prayer."

May this be some small comfort to all the poor guys who spent the summer playing O Promise Me.

SO GOES PARIS

Reported by Laurence Dilsner

Here is a recital program from last evening. Bought tickets quite commercially. Was ushered through the nave by a professional usher who was followed by a loud-voiced program-vendor. But no Billy Rose. I expected a 9:00 p.m. recital, but the clergy did 20 minutes of hocus-pocus. The only real music was Franck. Would have given an eye-tooth for four measures of Tremulant. I had no intention of writing all this, but alas I have. The program, played by Andre Marchal:

Scheidt, Variations on Cantilena Bach, O God Thou Merciful Franck, Prelude-Fugue-Variation Buxtehude, How Brightly Shines Bach, Adorn Thyself Honegger, Choral Blow, Toccata Frescobaldi, Toccata l'Elevazione Bach, Toccata & Fugue Dm

SO GOES PARIS—WITH IMPROVEMENTS Reported by and said about Charles Dodsley Walker

He's married now (see an earlier T.A.O.) but they had a "wonderful honeymoon in Switzerland, the Italian lakes, Venice, Florence, and the French Alps." To be "able to properly support a wife" (all married men lend sympathy) he's taken on some additional jobs, in Paris—director of the American Students & Artists Center, with "a concert hall, swimming pool, art studio, lounges, recreational rooms, and a sumptuous apartment for C.D.W. et uxor" (look it up, we had to). "Paris is great."

Mr. Walker is organist of the American Cathedral in Paris. In May he was organ soloist with the Paris Chamber Orchestra, Pierre Duvauchelle conducting, in a program in the Cathedral—applause verboten. But the newspaper critics made up for that by printed applause. For the benefit of Americans perpetrating such things, the program:

Gabrieli, Canzona for Organ
Geminiani, Concerto Grosso
Vitali, Sonata for 2 Violins & Organ
Martini, Prelude for Organ
Frescobaldi, Fugue for Organ
Frescobaldi, Toccata for Strings
Vivaldi, Concerto for 2 Violins & Orchestra

Bach, Brandenburg Concerto 3 Bach, O Man Bewail (organ) Bach, I Call to Thee (organ)

Bach, Sinfonia Can. 146 for Orchestra & Organ

You'll probably like this program a lot better if we point out it used nothing but very old Italians and very old Bach. Old, but not musty.

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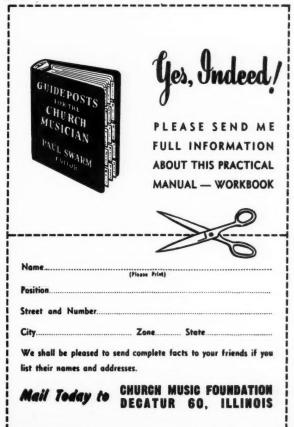
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FOSTER EVIL OR FOSTER GOOD?

"Whatever capital you divert to support the shiftless is so much diverted from some other employment, and that means somebody else. I would spend any conceivable amount of zeal and eloquence if I possessed it to try to make people grasp this idea."—William Graham Sumner.





SERVICE **PROGRAMS**

Column closes the first day of each momh. The elm is to show services by organists of nation-wide tame and services giving unusual materials

VIRGIL FOX *Riverside Church, New York Some Organ Selections Franck, Chorale Am Boellmann, Toccata Jongen, Prayer Noble, Gloria Domini Prelude Vierne, Clair de Lune Franck, Grande Piece Monfred, In Paradisum Widor, Andante Cantabile Choveaux, Prelude Vivet, Absolution Vivet, Absolution
Boyce, Ye Sweet Retreat
Peeters, Aria; Elegie.
Guilmant, Lift up Your Heads
Faure, The Palms
Weinberger, Last Supper
Weinberger, Abide With Us
Franck, Piece Heroique
Willan, O Lord Thou Art
Weitz, Grand Choeur
Schubert. Ave Maria Schubert, Ave Maria Dallier, Hymn to the Mother Jongen, Chant de Mai Jongen, Chain de Mai Palmgren, May Night Reger, Te Deum Karg-Elert, Legend Simonds, Sun's Declining Rays Handel, Largo

Bach-Gounod, Ave Maria Bach-Gounod, Ave Maria
These organ selections are given here to show the kind of music Mr. Fox has been playing on the new console; we have omitted all Bach as being taken forgranted. choralpreludes as being of too little musical interest. Mr. Fox indulges in frequent repetitions, often using a morning selection for the afternoon also. Note that he's not above playing music just to serve his congregation. RICHARD KLAUSLI
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fortieth anniversary with St. Stephen's Cathedral, Harrisburg, Pa., with gifts and eulogies
from the Cathedral congregation and clergy, from the Cathedral congregation and clergy, and a lengthy article, with two large photographs, in the Harrisburg Evening News. A few weeks earlier Mr. Kuschwa presented eight of his pupils, all holding church positions in and around Harrisburg, in an organ concert on the four-manual Moller in the Cathedral. More about this distinguished organist in later pages.

CLOKEY-PARKANDER
Arthur Clokey (son of Dr. Joseph W. Clokey) and Ruth Parkander were married Clokey) and Ruth Parkander were married June 18 in the bride's father's church, Gloria Dei Lutheran, Providence, R.I. Dr. Clokey played for the wedding, using a suite of wedding music written by him for the occasion—three songs, processional, recessional. "The songs are on texts from the Song of Solomon; the processional, sung by the church choir is a chorale on 'O Perfect Love.' The recessional is a toccata for organ on the same recessional is a toccata for organ on the same

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Tournemire, Pater Dimite Illis
Bach, Vom Himmel Hoch Langstroth, ditto
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Snow, Distant Chimes
Dubois, In Paradisum Mendelssohn, Son. 6: Allegro Karg-Elert, Sunrise Whitlock, Carol d'Antalffy, Drifting Clouds Karg-Elert, Now Thank We All Handel's Concerto D DeLamarter, Melody Chopin, Prelude Cm Mendelssohn, Prelude Cm Grieg, In the Morning Jenkins, Dawn Karg-Elert, Legend Mendelssohn, Son. I: Finale

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Son.3: Vivace
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Yon, Primitive Organ
Liszt, Weinen Klagen William F. Spalding
Bach, Prelude G; Adorn Thyself;
We Thank Thee. Dupre, Four Antiphons on Ave Maris Sowerby, Requiescat in Pace; Pastorale; Toccata. John Moseley Bach, Fugue Ef Schumann, Sketch Df Franck, Chorale Bm Russell, Bells of St. Anne Vierne, 1: Finale B. Bunjes Bach, Prelude & Fugue Am Marcello, Psalm 19 Bach, Christ the Life of All Whitford, Ein Feste Burg Karg-Elert, Now Rejoice Together Mulet, Tu Es Petra Nevin, Will o' Wisp

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pieces are played to give an audience musical pleasure, though they serve magnificently to show what severe taste—and educated fingers —the organist has. The emphatic exceptions might be: Yon, Primitive Organ

Yon, Primitive Organ
Schumann, Sketch Df
Russell, Bells of St. Anne
Nevin, Will o' the Wisp
Bingham, Twilight at Fiesole
Snow, Distant Chimes
Dubois, In Paradisum
d'Antalffy, Drifting Clouds
Jenkins, Dawn
CORRECTIONS

retirement.

July p.225 located Moorhead in North Dakota because that's the way the photograph gave it. Moorhead was originally in Minnesota and prefers to remain there.

And another sin: May p.167 called him Dr. Harold E. Drake; but May p.153 had him correctly, Dr. Harold E. Darke. Proof-reading is a tough assignment.

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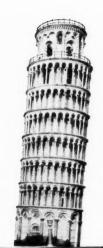
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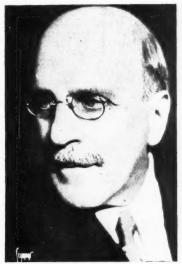
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Helen Howell, organist of St. Paul's Episcopal, Lynchburg, Va., and Samuel H. Williams Jr. were married Aug. 13, Dorothy Howell, sister of the bride, Playing the service.

MRS. WM. D. LIGON JR.
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REV. CARLO ROSSINI

chairman of the Pittsburgh Diocesan Music Commission of the Catholic Church has been appointed secretary-general of the Caecilian Society and has gone to Rome to prepare the music programs in connection with the Holy

ROBERT W. SCHMIDT
recently resigned from Trinity Church, Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed to the First Congregational, Los Angeles. JON ROBERG SKYBERG

of Moorhead, Minn., studying music during the past few years, has fallen victim to his persistent urge to be an organbuilder and is now in the Aeolian-Skinner factory in Boston.

DR. IRENE ROBERTSON

has secured leave of absence from the Univer-sity of Southern California to teach organ & church music in Oberlin Conservatory begin-

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JAMES R. WEEKS
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